REGION	SEBs/Eds	941994	951995-	971997-
WESTER REGION	GUJARAT	34 20. 02	20.08	17. 14 19.66
	MADHYA	26 19. 61	17.84	19. 24 19.08
3.	MAHARASHTRA	22 16. 33	16.95	16. 55 17.73
4.	D & N HAVELI	64 1 35	9.31	8. 80 NA
5.	GOA	50 26. 87	26.06	23. 50 23.39
6.	DAMAN & DIU	34 16. 30	12.80	8. 15 11.27
SOUTHERN REGION	ANDHRA	.91 17 95	19.34	33. 19 31.76
	KARNATAKA	55 19 41	19.06	18 73 18.56
3.	KERALA	00 20. 05	21.12	20. 5 17.87
4.	TAMIL NADU	18 17 1I	16.19	17 6 17.00
5.	LAKSHADWEEP	99 17 84	17.23	15 11 15.83
6.	PONDICHERRY	80 15 00	16.54	17 38 13.79
EASTERN REGION	BIHAR	.35 19 76	15.91	25. 31 25.41
	ORRISA	.43 23 .03	24. 17	50 15 NA
3.	SIKKIM	.60 2I .22	16.47	29 .2 20.13
4.	WEST BENGAL	.82 21 .5	19.26	18 ,0 20.34
5.	A&N ISIS	.71 22 .38	19.25	19 . 20.51
NORTHE EASTER REGION	1.ASSAM	.44 24 .	26.91	25 .9 30.05
	MANIPUR	.92 25 .30	24.85	22 .9 21.50$
	MEGHALAYA	.03 18 .47	12.55	19 .7 17.93
4.	NAGALAND	.45 36 .	35.17	26 .8 29.50
5.	TRIPURA	.53 31 .96	30.86	30 . 1 29.75
6.	ARUNACHAL 42 PRADESH	.04 45 .30	37.12	32 .6 2 30.99 $
7.	MIZORAM	.89 29 .76	25. 18	34 .3 47.00
ALL UTILITIES	21	.41 '21 .1.	22.27	24 .5 24.44

.SOURCE: DMLF DIVISION, CEA. (GENERAL REVIEW)

* DATA IS TENTATIVE AS REPORTED BY SEBs/EDs.

\# COMPUTED FIGURES.

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. Special group for reforms in power sector

5583. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a special group was set up by Government to bring about reforms in the power; \

(b) if so, the salient features of the recommendations made by the special group;

(c) whether Government have examined those recommendations;

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and

(e) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (e) The National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER) was engaged as a consultant to suggest the legislative changes required for accelerating the reforms process in the power sector in the country. The NCAER has submitted draft Electricity Bill, 2000 to replace the existing three Electricity Laws (The Indian Electricity Act, 1910). The Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 and the Electricity Regulatory Commissions Act, 1998).

The draft Bill suggests Corporatisation of all the State Electricity Boards and their restructuring into separate entities that would provide for accountability based on profit centres, whether public or private; and setting up/ reinforcing the Regulatory Commissions on the lines of the Electricity Regulatory Commission Act, 1998. It stresses the need for efficiency and competition with the objective of providing reliable power supply to all consumers at competitive prices. It also provides for a clear delineation of roles and responsibilities.

The draft Bill has been circulated to all concerned including the State Governments for their comments. Detailed discussions have been held with States, State Electricity Boards, Regulatory Commission, Experts, Chambers of Commerce and Private Utilities. The revised draft prepared by the NCAER in the light of the discussions and comments, is unde~ consideration of the Government of India.

NTPC dues towards railways

5584. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Badarpur Thermal Power Station of NTPC owes crores of rupees to the Railways for the cost of transporting coal;

(b) if so, the details thereof;